

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicant thanks Examiner for the detailed Office Action dated June 15, 2006. In response to the issues raised, the Applicant offers the following submissions and amendments. We also enclose a Terminal Disclaimer linking the term and ownership of any patent granted on the present application to that of USSN 10/760,202.

#### **Amendments**

Claims 1 and 3 have been amended to emphasize that the storage reservoirs for the ink and the fixative are within a single cartridge that is fed to a single printhead. Method claim 4 has been cancelled.

Accordingly, the amendments do not add any new matter.

#### **Non-Statutory Double Patenting**

The enclosed Terminal Disclaimer links the term and ownership of any patent granted on the present application to that of USSN 10/760,202. This avoids any improper timewise extension of patent rights or harassment from multiple assignees.

#### **35 U.S.C. §103 - Claims 1 to 4**

Claims 1 to 4 stand rejected as obvious in light of US 2003/0043230 to Koitabashi et al. in view of US 5,581,284 to Hermanson.

Amended claims 1 and 3 define a cartridge that has a body member defining the first and second storage reservoirs as well as the fluid distribution conduits that fluidly connect the reservoirs to the pagewidth printhead. It is well established that cartridges are unitary replaceable components of a larger device. The cartridges 101BK to 101Y of Koitabashi are each separate cartridges with a single reservoir and printhead. Koitabashi does not disclose a cartridge that has a plurality of fluid storage reservoirs with a fluid communication system

that can supply the entire length of a pagewidth printhead. Likewise, Hermanson does not disclose such a cartridge.

The combined disclosures of the citation do not teach all the elements of claims 1 or 3. Accordingly, they do not support a §103 rejection.

### **Conclusion**

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's rejections have been successfully traversed and the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,

Applicant/s:



---

Kia Silverbrook

C/o: Silverbrook Research Pty Ltd  
393 Darling Street  
Balmain NSW 2041, Australia

Email: [kia.silverbrook@silverbrookresearch.com](mailto:kia.silverbrook@silverbrookresearch.com)

Telephone: +612 9818 6633

Facsimile: +61 2 9555 7762